

March 5, 2018

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Dear

Your students are invited to participate in my annual Congressional Art Competition. You will find information on the guidelines for the competition on the following pages. **Please note: the deadline to enter this year is Friday April 13, 2018.** Entries may be dropped off earlier but all entries must be received by 5 p.m., April 13th, at my main District office located at 200 N. Grove Street, Suite 90, Hendersonville, NC 28792.

The 2018 Artistic Discovery Contest is open to all high school students who reside in the 11th District. **Artwork entered in the contest must be no larger than 26 inches high by 26 inches wide (including the frame) and 4 inches in depth.** All entries must be an original in concept, design and execution. There are several categories for the competition including:

- Paintings - including oil, acrylics, and watercolor
- Drawings - including pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, and markers
- Collage
- Prints - including lithographs, silkscreen, and block prints
- Mixed Media
- Computer Generated Art
- Photography

Winners will be chosen by a panel of art professionals and there will be a reception for all the students who enter, as well as their teachers and families, on April 28, 2018. The over-all winner of our district's competition will receive two round-trip tickets to the National Reception in Washington, DC, a \$3,000 scholarship to a prestigious Southeastern art college, and their art will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol.

There is no limit on the number of students from each school who may enter, and students are encouraged to enter multiple pieces if they choose. If you have any questions, please contact my representative, Clay McCreary, at my Lenoir office at 828-426-8701 or clay.mccreary@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,



Mark R. Meadows
Member of Congress
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